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Painting by Lynn Fausett portrays exodus of the Saints from Nauvoo in February 1846, shortly after many had just received their endowments.

The Lord rebukes those He loves

"... He that will not bear chastisement is not worthy of my kingdom." (D&C 136:31.)

In speaking of heeding the still, small voice, Bishop Henry B. Eyring, then-first counselor in the Presiding Bishopric, said during the April 1991 general conference: "You mustn't be surprised if the instruction seems accompanied with what you feel as a rebuke.

"You might prefer that God simply tell you how well you are doing. But He loves you, wants

Use of the Nauvoo Temple was brief but significant

The last few months that the Saints were in Nauvoo were troubled times at best. Yet during this time, significant things were accomplished in the Nauvoo Temple.

The martyrdom of the Prophet Joseph Smith on June 27, 1844, inflicted great sadness on the Saints but did not slow the effort to complete the temple. On Aug. 6, 1844, the members voted to sustain Brigham Young and the Council of the Twelve as leaders of the Church. Under

administration of the ordinances, the House of the Lord was thronged all day, the anxiety being so great to receive, as if the brethren would have us stay here and continue the endowments until our way would be hedged up, and our enemies would intercept us. But I informed the brethren that this was not wise, and that we should build more temples and have further opportunities to receive the blessings of the Lord, as soon as the Saints were prepared to receive them. I also informed the brethren

Trek west structured by divine revelation

As he was organizing the Saints for their westward trek after the exodus from Nauvoo, President Brigham Young received a revelation at Winter Quarters concerning the organizational structure of the exodus, and also placing the Saints under covenant to keep the commandments.

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*In Sacred Truths of the
Covenants*, Leanon G. Caldwell wrote: "One of the characteristics of the

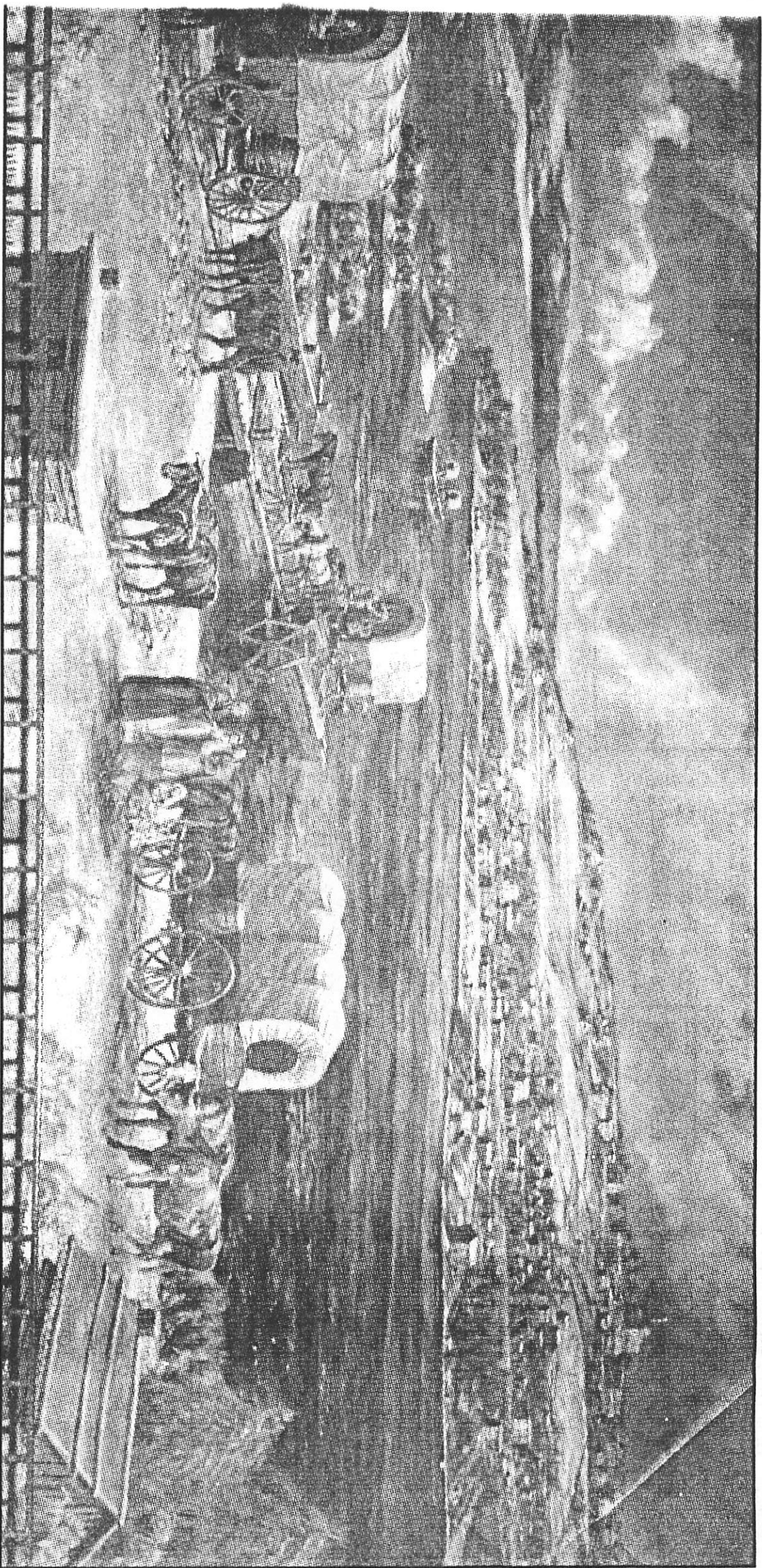


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